GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES - Allegation of possession of disproportionate assets to the known sources of legal income against Sri Routhu Golla, formerly Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari District - Sanction for Prosecution under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 - Accorded-Orders Issued.

INDUSTRIES, INFRASTRUCTURE, INVESTMENT & COMMERCE (VIGILANCE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 98 Date:11.11.2019.

Read the following:

1. From the Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P Rc. No. 98/RCA-REG/2016, Dt.29.11.2018.
2. Govt. Memo No. INC01-MG/6/2019-VIG, Dt.26.02.2019.
3. From Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, A.P Rc. No. 98/RCA-REG/2016, Dt.17.06.2019

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ORDER:

WHEREAS, Sri Routhu Golla, S/o Appanna, Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajamahendravaram, East Godavari district joined in Government Service as Mines Inspector, Vizianagaram on 23.06.1990, worked in different capacities at different places and rose up to the rank of Assistant Director, Mines & Geology. He worked as Asst. Director of Mines & Geology, Rajamahendravaram from 21.08.2015 to 28.05.2016. By virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of a Public Servant as defined under section 2(c) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

2. AND WHEREAS, on 27.05.2016 Sri Routhu Golla was trapped when he demanded and accepted bribe of Rs.75,000/- vide Cr.N0.08/RCT-RJY/2016 for showing official favour. During the searches the house and the locker in State Bank of Hyderabad of Sri Routhu Golla were searched, an amount of Rs.4,47,500/- and gold ornaments worth Rs 26,34,258/- respectively were recovered and seized. Subsequently a source information report was submitted against Sri Routhu Golla with regard to possession of Assets disproportionate to his known source of income, the Joint Director(A), ACB, AP, Hyderabad vide his proceedings No.16/RCA/JD(A)/ACB/2016, dated. 28.06.2016 issued proceedings to register a case and conduct investigation into the said allegation. Accordingly a case in Cr.No.09/RCA-RJY/2016 U/s 13(1)(e) r/w 13(2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 of ACB, Rajamahendravaram Range, Rajamahendravaram was registered on 08.07.2016 and investigated into.

3. AND WHEREAS, for the purpose of investigation, the check period is taken from 22.04.2004 to 12.7.2016 (i.e. the date of acquiring first asset by Sri Routhu Golla to till the date of house search).

4. AND WHEREAS, during the course of investigation relevant witnesses were examined and relevant documents were obtained from the concerned authority. Examination of witnesses, scrutiny of documents seized and obtained revealed that Sri Routhu Golla has amassed wealth with his ill gotten income for which he cannot account for satisfactorily.

5. AND WHEREAS, the scrutiny of documents seized and collected evidence disclose that Sri Routhu Golla, formerly Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District during the said check period, acquired total assets in his name and in the names of his family members to a tune of Rs.1,42,68,581/- (Rupees One crore forty two lakhs sixty eight thousand five hundred and eighty one only). The total Income derived *by* Sri Routhu Golla, formerly Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District from all the known sources during the above check period is estimated at Rs.61,50,396/- (Rupees Sixty one lakh fifty thousand three hundred and ninety six only). The total Expenditure incurred by Sri Routhu Golla, formerly Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District during the check

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period is Rs.1,01,21,314/- (Rupees One crore one lakh twenty one thousand three hundred and fourteen only). Sri Routhu Golla during the check period has spent more than his income to an extent of Rs.39,70,918/- (Rupees thirty nine lakhs seventy thousand nine hundred and eighteen only) i.e. total expenditure - total income. Sri Routhu Golla is in possession of Disproportionate Assets worth Rs.1,82,39,499/- (Rupees One crore eighty two lakhs thirty nine thousand four hundred and ninety nine only) (Total Assets of Rs.1,42,68,581/- + excess expenditure Rs.39,70,918/-) for which Sri Routhu Golla cannot account for satisfactorily.

6. AND WHEREAS, the above said acts of Sri Routhu Golla, formerly Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District constitute an offence punishable under section 13(2) read with 13(1)(e) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988).

7. AND WHEREAS, the Government of Andhra Pradesh being the competent authority to remove Sri Routhu Golla, formerly Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District from service after fully and carefully examining the material placed before the Government (i.e. copy of F.I.R., inventory reports, documents seized, Final investigation Report etc.,) in respect of the above said allegation and having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, consider that Sri Routhu Golla, formerly Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District should be prosecuted in the Court of Law.

8. NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (b) of Sub-Section (1) of Section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988), the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby accord sanction for the Prosecution of the said Sri Routhu Golla, formerly Assistant Director, Mines & Geology Department, Rajahmundry, East Godavari District for the said offence punishable under sections 13(1)(e) read with 13(2) of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Central Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other Act for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

(K. RAMGOPAL)
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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